PORT ISABEL LIGHTHOUSE

- STATE HISTORIC SITE -

Port Isabel, Texas





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The lighthouse was built in 1852 at the request of sea captains that needed assistance navigating the waters of the low-lying Texas coast. By 1905, with the installation of a lighthouse on nearby Padre Island, it was determined that the Point Isabel light was no longer necessary for safe navigation, and the tower went dark. A museum and reconstructed lighthouse keeper's cottage sit in the shadow of Port Isabel's 72-foot lighthouse. Climb 75 winding stairs, three short ladders, and take in the coastal sites of South Padre Island beaches at the last Texas lighthouse open to the public.

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